

**REQUEST
FOR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
TRANSMITTAL**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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| Application Number | 09/832,093 |
| Confirmation Number | 8684 |
| Filing Date | April 11, 2001 |
| First Named Inventor | Shigeo ISHIKAWA |
| Group Art Unit | 2823 |
| Examiner Name | Khiem D. Nguyen |
| Matter Number | Q64059 |
| Title | FILM FORMING METHOD IN WHICH FLOW RATE IS SWITCHED |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

- a. Previously submitted
- i. Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
- ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. Other _____
- b. Enclosed
- i. Amendment/Reply
- ii. Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. Information Disclosure Statements (IDS)
- iv. Petition for Extension of Time
- v. Other Statement of Substance of Interview

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2. MISCELLANEOUS

- a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
- b. Other _____

3. FEES

A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$770.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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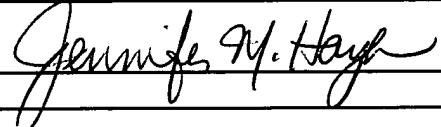
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